

## II. Amendments to the Specification

Please amend Paragraph 12 of the application as filed, as follows:

[0012] The accompanying drawings illustrate preferred embodiments of the invention, as well as other information pertinent to the disclosure, in which:

FIG. 1 is a partial perspective view of a prior art face nail clapboard panel assembly;

FIG. 2 is a partial perspective view of a prior art blind nail clapboard panel assembly;

FIG. 3 is a side cross-sectional view of the assembly of FIG. 2;

FIG. 4 is a side elevational view of a clapboard siding panel according to the present invention;

FIGS. 4A and 4B are partial views of the clapboard siding panel of FIG. 4 showing the siding panel being formed from wood and fiber cement, respectively;

FIG. 5 is a side cross-sectional view of a clapboard siding panel assembly utilizing the clapboard siding panel of FIG. 4;

FIG. 6 is a side elevational view of an alternative embodiment of a clapboard siding panel according to the present invention;

FIG. 6A is an enlarged view of a portion of the panel of FIG. 6; and

FIG. 7 is a side cross-sectional view of a clapboard siding panel assembly utilizing the clapboard siding panel of FIG. 6.